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For: ACTIVE MATERIAL FOR POSITIVE ELECTRODE OF LITHIUM SECONDARY BATTERY	) ) )

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The following are listed on the accompanying PTO-1449 and are in a non-English language:

WIPO Patent Publication No. WO 03/049216 A1

- 2. Japanese Patent Publication No. 08-007894
- 3. Japanese Patent Publication No. 09-245787
- 4. Japanese Patent Publication No. 11-185755
- 5. Japanese Patent Publication No. 08-078006
- 6. Japanese Patent Publication No. 2000-030693
- 7. Japanese Patent Publication No. 11-224664
- 8. Japanese Patent Publication No. 2000-021402
- 9. Japanese Patent Publication No. 2002-015739
- 10. Japanese Patent Publication No. 2002-015740

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